



BookChat

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What's New at the Lake Bluff Public Library
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Board Meetings at 7:00pm

Tuesday, September 10
Tuesday, October 8
Tuesday, November 12

Library board meetings are held at the library and open to the public.

Library Hours

Monday	10:00 am–9:00 pm
Tuesday	10:00 am–6:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am–6:00 pm
Thursday	10:00 am–9:00 pm
Friday	10:00 am–6:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am–4:00 pm
Sunday	1:00 pm–5:00 pm

Library Closures

Sunday, September 1 and Monday, September 2 (Labor Day weekend)

Wednesday, September 4 (closed 10:00am to 2:00pm for Staff In-Service)

Monday, November 11 (Veterans Day)

Thursday, November 28 (Thanksgiving Day)

Director's Message

Summer has been very exciting and busy at the library! We've set records in checkouts, digital downloads, and Summer Reading Club participation. New to our digital collection is Zinio, an online magazine service. Many popular periodicals can be downloaded to most electronic devices. We encourage you try Zinio; we think you'll be amazed by the formats and graphics used in these online magazines!

Late autumn will bring the implementation of Sierra, a new integrated library system (ILS). The ILS is software that powers the online catalog and the in-house programs used make library materials available to patrons. So what does a new ILS mean for you? Normally, you'd need to conduct separate searches in the catalog, MyMediaMall, our online calendar, and our reference databases in order to access all of the information we have. With Sierra, you will only need to do one search to get the same amount of information. And the best part? If you find an eBook that you just have to have, you will be able to check it out directly from our catalog. And since you'll have more streamlined access to so much content, you'll also have more control over your library account, including the ability to keep track of what you've read, watched, or listened to.

The library is also gearing up for a shelving replacement next spring. Naturally, our current shelving is starting to get a bit rough around the edges after forty years of extensive use. In replacing our shelving, we are obtaining fixtures that will fit with the library's goal to adapt and grow to meet the community's needs. In the short term, you may notice signs and support bars attached to some shelving units.

Thanks to everyone who helped us have a great summer. Please pardon our physical and virtual dust as we continue to evolve and change!

Eric Bailey
Library Director



NEW at the library!



Digital Magazines Available Through Zinio

The library now subscribes to Zinio, an online digital magazine service that allows Lake Bluff Library cardholders to choose from 60+ magazines to download for free! Magazines may be downloaded to a computer as well as many portable devices. Visit our website and click on "Download Magazines" to begin. Please contact the library with any questions.

Print Management Software

Beginning in September, the library will be using print management software that allows patrons and staff to coordinate printing efficiently and accurately.

Comment on the Library!

Do you have an idea, comment, or compliment you'd like to pass along? Email your thoughts, questions, or concerns to EBailey@LakeBluffLibrary.org to have our staff answer you. Comments and their responses may be published in future newsletters.

Adult Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Please register for adult programs to ensure we have the room adequately set-up.

Registration can be completed online at www.LakeBluffLibrary.org, by phone at 847-234-2540, or in person at the Reference Desk.

Affordable Health Care Act

Thursday, September 5 at 7:00pm

The Affordable Care Act was signed into law on March 23, 2010. This new healthcare law not only includes new provisions improving healthcare in Illinois, but also provisions requiring each state to create a Health Insurance Marketplace. Beginning October 1, 2013, you will be able to buy insurance through the Illinois Health Insurance Marketplace. The online shopping site allows you to compare and review a wide range of quality health insurance plans and includes complete information about the premiums, deductibles, and co-pays before you sign up. Marketplace purchases may be done online, by mail, over the phone, or in person. There will be financial subsidies for many individuals and families to help purchase their new insurance plans. Come and learn more information about the Affordable Care Act, who qualifies for the financial subsidies, and how you can purchase quality insurance plans from the Marketplace.

What are Your Old Coins and Gold Jewelry Worth?



Monday, September 9 at 7:00pm

Dave Ekstrom, a life-long coin collector and retired school teacher, will give a 20-30 minute presentation on what makes coins valuable and how to determine the worth of your gold jewelry. After the presentation, attendees may bring one item to be appraised. Buying and selling will not take place at the program.

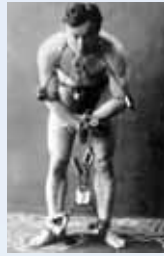


Rifftrax

Thursday, September 12 at 6:45pm

Are you a fan of *Twilight*? Are you *not* a fan of *Twilight*? Both fans and anti-fans are guaranteed to enjoy this satirical audio commentary on the first *Twilight* movie. Three comedians from *Mystery Science Theater 3000* poke fun at the drama and trauma of vampire romance. We'll play the movie and the commentary at the same time and you can join us for an evening of laughter! Snacks will be provided, so please register and let us know you're coming!

Houdini: His Life, His Legend



Thursday, September 19 at 7:00pm

Relive Houdini's thrilling escapes and gasp at the story of his remarkable life and death. William Pack uses storytelling, sleight of hand, history, and a dash of nonsense to go beyond the myth and bring the true story of this legendary American icon to life.

I Dwell in Possibility: An Intimate Afternoon with Emily Dickinson



Tuesday, September 24 at 1:30pm

Emily Dickinson is one of the most loved and admired American poets. Historical actress and library favorite Betsey Means returns to portray Ms. Dickinson in a one-woman performance that gives insight into the poet's world and works. It's as though Emily Dickinson herself is in the room!

Don't Pay the College Sticker Price



Monday, September 30 at 7:00pm

For many families, college tuition is the largest expense they will ever face. Join Joe Orsolini as he clarifies the college financial aid system including scholarships, grants, student loans, and tax-saving opportunities that help relieve the burden. Mr. Orsolini is a Certified Financial Planner and a Certified College Planning Specialist with over twenty years of experience.

The Haunting

Thursday, October 3 at 7:00pm

The 'Haunting' is an interactive performance of spine-tingling horror stories, true eerie history, and inexplicable supernatural occurrences. William Pack simulates an authentic haunting experience, similar to television ghost shows, which will leave you debating whether or not what you saw was real. The lights will go out and you will spend a chilling hour becoming part of the mysterious, the bizarre, and the haunted.

Are You a Hoarder or Do You Just Need Help Organizing?

Monday, October 7 at 7:00pm

Do you know someone who collects extreme amounts of clutter? Would you like to learn a bit more about this complex behavior and what you can do about it? Come and meet Chris Faltynek, Professional Organizing Expert, to get some insights and tips about this extraordinarily popular topic. Chris has appeared on A&E TV's Emmy nominated show, *Hoarders*, and has been helping people get organized for over fifteen years.

Eleanor Roosevelt: Overcoming Odds, Achieving Greatness

Thursday, October 10 at 7:00pm

To this day, Eleanor Roosevelt is considered one of the most powerful and controversial women in America. Though she never ran for public office, she wielded tremendous power by influencing those who did. Join historian Jim Gibbons for an hour-long presentation on stories of Eleanor Roosevelt.

Social Security: The Seven Keys to Maximizing Benefits

Thursday, October 17 at 7:00pm

This seminar will cover facts to know about Social Security and Medicare. Expect to have the following questions answered: How do I qualify for benefits and how they are calculated? What are the income tax implications and when do I start receiving benefits? Should I continue working in retirement and how will that affect my benefits? In addition, we will discuss how to maximize spousal and survivor benefits. The program will be presented by Michael G. Viececi (CFP®, CLU®, RICP®), a wealth manager at Harbour Financial Resources, Ltd.

Patron Needs Assessment

In the fall, the library will distribute its patron needs assessment. Fill out a survey and help the library help you! Who knows? There may even be prizes...

Adult Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Canapés & Hors d'oeuvres

Tuesday, November 5 at 1:30pm

Come sample and learn how to make some great "starters" for your holiday gatherings with friends and family. Chef Michael Maddox returns to our library to present some exciting canapés which will liven up your guests' taste buds and get them anticipating an enjoyable dinner. This program will have a range of flavors, textures, and tastes to get you ready for your dining events, whether you are hosting or bringing a dish to pass!

Holiday Decorating Cents

Thursday, November 7 at 7:00pm

Create magical and elegant holiday decor for your home this season using creative and "cents-able" ideas from Interior Decorator Rhody Hausauer. A passionate believer in the idea that high-end looks can be achieved at any price point, Rhody will show you how to create a gorgeous holiday home at a surprisingly low cost, using much of what you may already own.

Mom's Losing Her Memory, I'm Losing My Mind!

Monday, November 25 at 7:00pm

Physical and mental deterioration has serious consequences and it is often an uncomfortable topic that most of us prefer to avoid. Kathy Stewart shares her experiences from the assisted living community where the extraordinary needs of loved ones are met by extraordinary individuals. An author on the subject of dementia and Alzheimer's disease and a registered nurse, Ms. Stewart has provided guidance for aging adults with memory decline and consulting with families for more than thirty years.

Book Buffs with Deena and Carlen

This group meets several times a year. As with other book clubs, titles are available at the circulation desk for checkout. Come and join us today!

All discussions are on Saturdays at 2:00pm.

Historical Fiction Series

September 14: *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks (Fiction, 306 pages, 2011)

October 12: *City of Thieves* by David Benioff (Fiction, 258 pages, 2008)

November 16: *The Sandcastle Girls* by Chris Bohjalian (Fiction, 293 pages, 2012)

Reel Time Real Talk with Deena and Carlen

Join us for Reel Time, Real Talk, a discussion for movie lovers! Join Deena and Carlen for an hour to talk about a particular movie. The library will order several copies of each title for patrons. Simply check out the movie, watch it on your own, and show up prepared to talk!

Snacks will be provided. All meetings are at 7:30pm.

Thursday, October 24: *Pleasantville* (PG-13, 124 minutes, 1998)

Thursday, November 21: *In and Out* (PG-13, 90 minutes, 1997)

Showtime: Movies for Adults

Thanks to the Friends of the Library's generosity, the Spruth Room has black-out blinds so that we can show movies for adults during the day. Bring a friend and enjoy the afternoon at the library. Refreshments are served.

Afternoons at 2:00pm

Thursday, September 26: *The Impossible* (PG-13, 114 minutes, 2013)

Tuesday, October 29: *Stories We Tell* (Documentary, PG-13, 108 minutes, 2012)



Adult Book Club

Attend a book club and share your comments with other book lovers! A staff member leads open-ended and insightful discussions and your ideas about the book may change.

All of the books for the discussions are available for check-out at the circulation desk. Some titles can be downloaded from MyMediaMall.

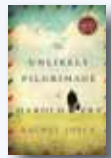
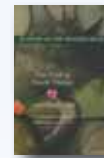
Tuesday Afternoon

Tuesday Afternoons at 1:30pm

September 17: *The God of Small Things* by Arundhati Roy (Fiction, 321 pages, 1997)

October 15: *Wild* by Cheryl Strayed (Nonfiction, 336 pages, 2012)

November 19: *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce (Fiction, 320 pages, 2012)



Wool Gatherers

Warm Up America!

Warm Up America! is a 501C3 charitable organization made up of volunteers from across the country who knit and crochet afghans for those in need. Help us make afghans for the Mother's Trust Foundation to donate to children in Lake County. The sections can be made during Wool Gatherers or at home. You can drop off your homemade sections in the Mother's Trust Foundation basket anytime the library is open. Look for it by the old entrance!

Monday, September 16 at 7:00pm

Meet at the library to knit and crochet 7"x9" sections.

Monday, October 21 at 7:00pm

Meet at the library to knit and crochet 7"x9" sections.

Monday, November 4 from 11:00am to 4:00pm

Join the group to sew the squares together. Whether you can donate an hour or all day, please come! Squares may be knitted or crocheted at home and dropped off at the library anytime the library is open.

Materials needed for a 7" x 9" section:

- Medium-weight/worsted ACRYLIC yarn. (Check your stash!)
- 4 mm/G-6 crochet hook OR 4.5mm/7 knitting needles.



SAVE THE DATE!

Give Me an Old Fashioned Christmas and Chanukah!

Thursday, December 5 at 7:00pm

Begin your holidays with a live performance of your favorite seasonal songs! Pianist Dave Turner and vocalist Robbie Malkowski will perform jazz classics at the library.

Children's Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

National Card Sign-Up Month

Throughout September

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month! It is our goal for every child in Lake Bluff to have his or her own library card. Children 5 years and older can get their own library card.* Stop by the children's desk after you get your card to receive a special card holder and button!

*A parent or legal guardian must be present with the child to register his or her child for a library card. Please see the library website for information on obtaining a library card.



Video Game Thursdays

Thursdays, September 5 through October 24,
from 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Children in grades 3 through 8 can join us for a different video game each Thursday afternoon. Bring a friend and play video games at the library!

Storytime at the Library

Tuesdays, September 17 through October 22

Registration is required.

2 year olds 11:15am to 11:35am
For 1 child and 1 adult

3-5 year olds 10:30am to 11:00am
For child without adult

Musikgarten with Wendy Morgan

Saturday, September 21 at 11:00am

Come join Wendy Morgan for a half hour, interactive musikgarten program! Young children and their caregivers are welcome.

Paws for a Tale

Mondays, October 7 through November 4,
November 18

Appointments will be 20 minutes each.

Registration is required.

Children in grades 1 through 5 can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog. These gentle dogs are nonjudgmental and great listeners for children who could use some quality time reading out loud or would appreciate a good listener. Children may sign up for multiple sessions; time slots will go quickly. *Parents will need to sign waiver forms.



Halloween Parties

Tuesday, October 29

Start your holiday fun at the library! Wear your costume and join us for a spooky craft, chilling tales, and ghoulish treats!

10:30am

For preschoolers

4:30pm

For school age children



International Games Day

Saturday, November 16

Children can join us for a day of gaming at the library! We will have board games, decks of cards, and video games!



Parent / Child Reading Clubs

Grades 2 through 4

Monday, November 25 at 7:30pm

Snot Stew by Bill Wallace

(Juvenile Fiction, 81 pages, 1989)

Boys and girls in grades 2 through 4 can bring a parent to our reading group. Copies of the books will be available at the children's desk.



Grades 4 through 6

Monday, December 2 at 7:30pm

The Borrowers by Mary Norton

(Juvenile Fiction, 180 pages, 1998)

Boys and girls in grades 4 through 6 can bring a parent to our reading group. Copies of the books will be available at the children's desk.



Thanksgiving Drop-In Craft

Saturday, November 23 through Wednesday,
November 27

Stop in and make a Thanksgiving craft to take home.* Younger children will need a caregiver's assistance. *While supplies last.

Winter Reading Club

Saturday, October 5, 2013 through Saturday, May 3, 2014

Earn yourself reading badges this winter! In our newly redesigned reading club, children in grades 3 through 8 can earn a badge by reading 5 books on the same theme. Continue to read additional sets of 5 books of the same theme to win extra badges! 1st and 2nd graders can earn badges by reading 10 books on any subject. This program is designed for independent readers in grades 1 through 8.

Children's Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Sidewalk Chalk Art Competition Winners

Thanks to the twenty-four artists who participated in the 2013 Sidewalk Chalk Art competition.

The winners were as follows:



Family/Group: Hausbrouck Family



Youth: Riley G.



Staff Favorite: Allison Kruse & Friend

Just for Teens & Tweens

Grades 6 through 12



Teen Read Week Contest

Sunday, October 13 through Saturday, October 19

This year's Teen Read Week theme is "Seek the Unknown." Show your personal knowledge of the unknown in our trivia challenge and get a chance to win a \$25 gift card to Starbucks.

Successful Bridge Program

Tweens and teens had a great time this summer; they met weekly to learn to play bridge! Local resident, Ms. Butzlaff, organized an enjoyable program for young people to learn this fascinating card game. Staff and participants thank Ms. Butzlaff for bringing this program to the library!

Teen Crafting

Thursday, September 12 at 7:30pm

Make yourself a Boho-chic bracelet from fabric scraps! Bring in fabric that is special to you (old clothing) or let the library provide your options. Either way, come put your own spin on this easy bracelet.



Manga and Anime Club

Thursdays,
September 5,
October 3, and
November 7 at
7:30pm

Join us each month as we dive into the world of manga and anime! We'll check out some new favorites as well as some old classics, have lively discussions about the topics you love most, and even try some Japanese snacks and drinks!

Knitting with Ms. Eliza

Thursdays, September 26, October 24, and
November 21 at 7:30pm

Teens, if you have ever had an interest in knitting, this is the group for you! Knitting guru, Ms. Eliza, can help you with anything from simple hats and scarves to funky patterns and neat stitches. Beginners are welcome in this relaxed, informal group.



Teen Advisory Board

Thursdays, September 19, October 10, and
November 14 at 7:30pm

Join us once a month; meet new friends and earn volunteer hours! Ms. Eliza will introduce you to all the newest books in the collection. Every month you'll get a chance to win a new prize in a bookish contest!

Teen Book Discussion

Thursday, October 17 at 7:30pm

Teens and tweens can join Ms. Eliza for a lively book discussion. Talk about your favorite characters, themes, and books you've read! Book title will be announced; suggestions are always welcome!

Join us on the teen blog to get the latest information and goings-on in teen lit! Submit your own posts to share opinions on books you love (or loathe), games you are obsessed with, movies you are anticipating, and more!



Kennedy Anniversary

November is the 50th anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.
Mark the occasion by attending a program at the library.

Jacqueline Kennedy Portrayal

Thursday, November 14 at 2:00pm



Dramatist Leslie Goddard brings history to life and captures the essence of the former First Lady of the United States as she recounts her husband's death and comes to a heartfelt decision about how to begin a new life for herself and her children. *It is 1964 and Jacqueline Kennedy is besieged by sightseers around her house in Georgetown. As she deliberates what to do next, she shares the story of her life in the White House, including her struggle to retain her family's privacy, her restoration work, and her attempts to showcase the arts.*

The Assassination of President Kennedy

Monday, November 18 at 7:00pm

Jim Gibbons reviews a tragic time in our nation's history, presenting "The Kennedy Assassination." If you were alive at that time, you may remember where you were and what you were doing on that fateful day in Dallas. If you were not, you will learn how everything came to a complete halt with just four words: "The President is dead!"



The Friends of the Library

Linda Schwartz, *President*
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Friends' Meetings at 10:00am

Meetings are on the second Saturday of the month.

September 14

October 12

November 9

Display Case

September: Claire Osada takes you down memory lane with her collection of Marshall Field's memorabilia.

October: Nan Wick and her son collected beer cans and bottle caps for years; check out just a part of their collection.

November: Carlen DeThorne takes you back to the Beanie Baby craze with her favorites from childhood.

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